Applicant: Michael R.S. Hill Serial No. 10/000,474

Page 10

REMARKS

In the Office Action claims 1, 2, 7-14 and 19-30 stand allowed and claims 3-6 and 15-18 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. Applicant herein amends claims 1, 2 and 15 and cancels claims 16-18 without prejudice or disclaimer as to the subject matter thereof.

Applicant respectfully requests entry favorable consideration of the amendments and remarks presented herein.

I. Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §112, Second Paragraph

The Examiner states that the rejected claims are confusing because purportedly some of the claims regarding comparing certain parameters are not clear. Upon inspection of the claims the Applicant determined that a latent defect with respect to the language used for claims 1 and 2 and suggests that the present amendments to claims 1 and 2 render rejected claims 3-6 clear and precise.

For example, regarding claims 3 and 4, the Examiner stated that "it is not clear which A-LVp delay is being recited." Also with regard to claim 4 the Examiner states that "it is not clear which A-RVp delay is being compared." Applicant herewith clarifies the terminology of claims 1 and 2 and thus solve any apparent lack of clarity in the rejected claims 3-6. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to withdraw the rejection of claims 3-6 so that the claimed subject matter may proceed to timely issuance as U.S. Letters Patent.

Claims 15-18 were also rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph and Applicant herein amends claim 15 and cancels claims 16-18. As for claim 15, the amendments are intended to rectify the lack of clarity alleged to exist in the claim as filed, and since claims 16-18 are canceled herein said rejections are thereby rendered moot.

II. Allowed Subject Matter

Applicant: Michael R.S. Hill Serial No. 10/000,474

Page 11

In the Office Action the Examiner states that claims 1, 2, 7-14 and 19-30 stand allowed.

Applicant respectfully asserts that following entry of the present Reply claims 1-15 and 19-30 are in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

III. Conclusion

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this Amendment, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney to attend to those matters.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael R.S. Hill

Date: 24 June 04

Paul 4. McDowall

Reg. 34.873

Telephone: (763) 514-3351

Customer No. 27581